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TITLE OF INVENTION: SEQUENTIAL COLOUR ILLUMINATION SYSTEM, METHOD FOR PRODUCING A COLOUR WHEEL FOR SAID SYSTEM AND A COLOUR SEGMENT DEVICE

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DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 5/7/09 has been entered.

Response to Amendment

2. The amendments to the claims, in the submission dated 5/7/09, are acknowledged and accepted.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Richard La Peruta on 6/16/09.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1, line 15, replace "the differences of energies" with --differences of energies--

Claim 1, line 17, replace "polychromatice" with --polychromatic--

Claim 1, lines 12-13, replace "when this fixed segment it is scrolled" with --when this fixed segment is scrolled--

Claim 6, line 3, replace "and/or" with --or--

Claim 6, line 10, replace "a step of measuring the excitation energies" with --a step of measuring excitation energies--

Claim 6, lines 10-11, replace "induced by the various segments in the visual system of an observer" with --induced by various segments in a visual system of an observer--

Claim 6, lines 12-13, replace "over the color wheel in an order such that the differences of measured excitation energies" with --over the color wheel in an order such that differences of excitation energies--

Claim 8, line 5, replace "the differences of energies" with --differences of energies--

Claim 9, line 2, replace "the sum of the differences" with --a sum of the differences--

Allowable Subject Matter

- 4. Claims 1-10 are allowed.
- 5. Claims 1, 6 and 8 are allowable over the prior art of record for at least the reason that even though the prior art discloses an imager sequential illumination system comprising: a source emitting towards the imager a polychromatic light beam in a fixed wavelength range comprising at least three primary colors, a color wheel for scrolling colored segments comprising at least three transmissive or reflective fixed segments,

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the color wheel making it possible to scroll the fixed segments over the optical path of the polychromatic light beam so that they successively transmit and filter the polychromatic light beam in the case where the fixed segments are transmissive, or so that they successively reflect and filter the polychromatic light beam in the case where the fixed segments are reflective, the fixed segments being of different colors, and each fixed segment having a hue, a saturation, a transmissivity or a reflectivity, and a size that is suitable for obtaining a colored beam exhibiting a primary color with a reference hue when this fixed segment is scrolled over the optical path of the polychromatic light beam, the prior art fails to teach or reasonably suggest that the fixed colored segments are distributed in an order such that differences of energies, or differences of measured excitation energies, between any two successive colored beams that follow one another, when the fixed segments of the colored wheel scroll over the optical path of the polychromatic light beam, are the least variable possible compared to other possible orders, the energies being defined as perceived by the visual system of a standard observer. Claims 2-5, 7 and 9-10 are dependent on claims 1, 6 and 8 and are allowable for at least the same reasons as claims 1, 6 and 8.

6. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JADE R. CALLAWAY whose telephone number is

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(571)272-8199. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday 6:00 am - 3:30 pm est.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Stephone B. Allen can be reached on 571-272-2434. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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